

**LOUISVILLE METRO CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
MEETING SUMMARY**

Thursday, September 16, 2004

Members Present: Judge Kathleen Voor Montano, Chair; Kim Allen; Chief Judge Donald Armstrong, Jr.; Major Chris Hancock (Designee for Col. John Aubrey); Michelle Butts (Designee for Patricia Combs); Walker Cunningham; Sheriall Cunningham; Lt. Col. Barry Green (Designee for George DeTella); Kelly Downard; Dan Goyette; Tom Dyke (Designee for David Huber); Joni Jenkins; Richard Lewis; Marjean Martin; Bob Schmitt; Chief Judge James Shake; John Balliet (Designee for Dave Stengel); Lt. Col. Terri Winstead-Wilfong (Designee for Chief White); Clarence Williams; and Louis Willis.

Excused Members: Chief Judge Stephen George and Tim Vize.

Guests Present: Capt. Frank Lucchese (LMPD); Debbie Montgomery (Designee for Maurice Risner-Jefferson County Public Schools); Dan Fox (Family & Children First); Cindy Venable (Office for Aging/Disabled Citizens); Ann Schiavone Dyke (County Attorney's Office); Sharon Brite (LMPD); Russ Stapleton (LMPD); Rometta Ison (Intern, Kent School of Social Work-University of Louisville).

Staff Present: David Nicholson; Bruce McMichael; Stephanie Stidham; Faith Hartlage; and Barbara West.

I. WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER

Judge Montano, Chair, called the meeting to order, welcomed all in attendance and opened with introductions.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY OF JUNE 17, 2004 MEETING

The meeting summary of the June 17, 2004 meeting was unanimously approved as submitted.

III. CHAIR'S REPORT

Judge Montano referenced the handouts in the agenda packet under Chair's Report. Included is a listing of the committees which Commission staff either provide staff support for or on which they serve as members, a flyer highlighting the International Heritage Month calendar of events, and the press announcement naming Jane Burks as the new president of the Center For Women and Families.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Deviating from the agenda, Judge Montano asked for committee and director's reports at this time.

- A. Warrant Process, Marjean Martin, Chair** -- reported that this committee met on Wednesday, September 15 to continue discussions on options to reduce the number of warrants. Since July, warrant statistics have been provided to the Judges and other criminal justice representatives on a monthly basis via email access.
- B. Computerization, Stephanie Stidham** -- in the absence of Tim Vize, Chair, Ms. Stidham reported that the committee met on Tuesday, September 14. The committee is working to

finalize the E-Citation Project and hope to go fully electronic by April. The Louisville Metro Police Department is working to train officers on the equipment. The committee will meet again in October for updates from project partners.

- C. Children Who Witness Domestic Violence, Dan Fox, Chair** -- announced that the Family and Children First Counseling Center, in partnership with the Center for Women and Families, has submitted a grant proposal for \$210,000 through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. The grant is titled "Safe Start: Promising Approaches for Children Exposed to Violence." The project proposed in the grant application is the result of a collaborative effort of the Domestic Violence Prevention Coordinating Council and the Children Who Witness Domestic Violence Committee. The project focuses on treatment, referrals and policy changes in the community. There is also an assessment piece that will be conducted by the University of Louisville, Kent School of Social Work. Awards should be announced by the end of the year.
- D. Elder Abuse Services Coordinating Committee, Cindy Venable, Member** -- reported that the committee's first training, held on September 9, under their \$250,000 grant was a success. This was a "train the trainer" format with LMPD. The committee is working to produce a video from the training and is developing criteria for additional training sessions.

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

David Nicholson reported on the following:

- As noted in the handout, Commission staff is providing staffing for some 45 committees and serve as members on 10 committees.
- Louisville Metro has been awarded \$4M in Homeland Security funding from the State. Of this, \$3M is for the MetroSafe CAD Project and \$1M is for Law Enforcement which includes Shively, St. Matthews, Jeffersontown and the Sheriff's Department.
- Louisville Metro has also been awarded a six-month planning grant in the amount of \$50,000 for the Justice Reinvestment Project which will study the re-entry of prisoners into the community and assess available services for reintegration.
- The grant application through the VAWA Office for enhancement of the Domestic Violence Intake Center was not funded.
- Warrant information, as reported by Marjean Martin, is being sent to a variety of individuals for review/analysis.
- The Jail Policy Committee will meet at the end of September and is working to expand data information. Board member, Richard Lewis, has joined the committee.

In general discussion, Mr. Downard asked for clarification on the DV Intake Center grant. Judge Armstrong advised that the Seventh Street side entrance into the Hall of Justice has been reopened for approximately two weeks and is assisting in alleviating the delay in entering the building. Additionally, Representative Jenkins mentioned that members of the House and Senate, along with the Governor are working on the State's budget issues.

VI. PRESENTATION

Lt. Col. Terri Winstead-Wilfong, LMPD, Commander of Operations Bureau #1 -- presented a PowerPoint overview of the Department's 2004 Strategic Plan. Board members were provided copies of the plan. The plan centers around the Department's four core values of honesty and integrity, every one a leader, responsive to all citizens, and focus on results. In addition to the core values, the Department has set six goals: bring us together; keep us safe; make a quantum leap in education; grow better jobs; create strong neighborhoods; and improve quality of life. A new mission statement

was drafted and includes four central themes: crime prevention; crime control; community involvement; and fair and equitable treatment for all persons. The plan was designed using the resources of sworn officers and non-sworn employees, community representatives and the services of nationally recognized consulting firms. It was stressed that the plan is one that is active, a work in progress, subject to review or changes as warranted.

Lt. Col. Winstead-Wilfong also presented maps outlining previous districts (10) for the two former police departments and the new "divisions" totaling eight. The redistricting effort involved the transfer of some 850 individuals and will be implemented effective October 9. The division map is available on the LMPD website.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Proposal (LLEBG) – the Criminal Justice Commission Board serves as the review body for the Local Law Enforcement Block Grants. In addition to Board members, a member of the Jefferson County Public Schools and a member of a substance abuse treatment program also review and vote on the proposals. Maurice Risner, Jefferson County Public Schools, and Allison Kern, Jefferson County Drug Court, serve as these respective representatives. At this meeting, Debbie Montgomery served as the designee for Maurice Risner. Allison Kern was unable to attend, but submitted a letter of support dated September 2nd (see attached) for acceptance of the proposal.

Captain Frank Lucchese, Louisville Metro Police Department, presented an LLEBG proposal totaling \$209,016 (\$188,114 in federal funding and \$20,902 in required match funds) for the purchase of approximately 222 Tasers. After clarification on who would be utilizing this equipment, Judge Montano called for a formal vote on the proposal. A motion was made by Judge Donald Armstrong, Jr., seconded by Richard Lewis, and unanimously approved to accept the grant proposal as presented.

VIII. ADJOURN/NEXT MEETING

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 21, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. in the Crown Room of the Judicial Center.